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LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

December 13, 2001

Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. \$ 119 and 37 C.F.R. \$ 1.55(a), the applicant(s) hereby claim(s) the right of priority based on the following application(s):

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A certified copy of the above-noted application(s) is(are) attached hereto.

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